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REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK, NEW YORK	DATE WHEN MADE 5/7/51	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 5/5,7/51	REPORT MADE BY NORMAN E. BLISS
TITLE ROSE KEANE, nee Rose Caplan, aka Mrs. Herman Shumlin, Rose Shumlin			CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

ROSE KEANE'S sister, BETTY KEANE, was formerly Office Manager, Washington, D.C. branch of Hebrew Committee of National Liberation. BETTY now married to PETER BERGSON, whose real name is HILEL KOOK, one of organizers of HCNL.

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REFERENCE:

Bureau File 128-715
New York report of SA NORMAN E. BLISS, 4/25/51
Washington teletype to New York, 4/30/51

DETAILS:

In March, 1945 Confidential Informants T-1 and T-2 both of known reliability, advised that BETTY KEANE was at that time the Office Manager at the Washington, D.C. branch of the Hebrew Committee of National Liberation, 2315 Massachusetts Avenue.

In connection with the Hebrew Committee of National Liberation, the "New York Herald Tribune", on June 17, 1944 page 9, carried an article headed "Hebrew Group Registers as Foreign Agents". This article stated that the Committee, upon registering, defined the "Foreign Principal", which it represented, as the "Hebrew Nation". A list of persons responsible for the organization was set out in the article, the first name being PETER H. BERGSON, 2315 Massachusetts Avenue, Washington, D.C.

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Concerning BERGSON, the article stated that, in personal questionnaires, he gave his real name as HILEL KOOK, a Palestine citizen born in Lithuania. He arrived in the United States in 1940, the article stated.

It is noted that in her questionnaire, ROSE KEANE lists her sister as BETTY KOOK of Tel Aviv, Israel. It is also noted that in a previous interview with Mr. QUENTIN REYNOLDS, he mentioned that BETTY KEANE married PETER BERGSON of Israel.

~~Bergson~~ The official organ of the Hebrew Committee of National Liberation, "The Answer", in its issue of June 15, 1944, page six, carried an article entitled: "Hebrew Committee of National Liberation Launched in Washington". This article stated, in part, "For the first time in 1809 years, a unified group of Hebrews have joined together to redeem the Hebrew national sovereignty and establish in exile a Hebrew Committee of National Liberation..... Although the Hebrew Committee of National Liberation is being only now officially organized, the activities of its members on behalf of the Hebrew people of Europe and Palestine are well known the world over. It was this group who initiated, prior to the outbreak of the war, the gradual evacuation of tens of thousands of Hebrews from the menaced sections of Eastern and Middle Europe to Palestine. In the United States some of its members initiated, as a spearhead for the survival of the Hebrew people, the following organizations:"

There followed a list of four organizations, one of which was the Emergency Committee to Save the Jews of Europe.

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The Confidential Informants, mentioned in the report of SA NORMAN E. BLISS, dated May 7, 1951 at New York, are identified as follows:

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SA JAMES E. NUGENT, as set out in report of SA ROBERT GENAU at Washington, D.C., May 2, 1945, in case entitled: "HEBREW COMMITTEE OF NATIONAL LIBERATION, Registration Act, Internal Security - X" (Bureau File 100-316012, New York File 100-61870).

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SA JOSEPH A. GENAU, as set out in the above report.

NEW YORK, NEW YORK

MAY 2, 1951

WASHINGTON FIELD.....URGENT

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TO NY APRIL TWENTY EIGHT, NINETEEN FIFTY ONE. ROSENBLATT LEFT NYC SEVEN
AM MAY TWO, NINETEEN FIFTY ONE ENROUTE WASHINGTON, DC. RESIDING CARROLL
ARMS HOTEL THROUGH APRIL FOUR. ^{may} INTERVIEW. RUC.

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